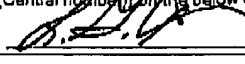


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This Paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed 01/25/2007. This Paper is a complete Reply to the prior Office action (mailed 08/03/2006) for which a Request for Continued Examination was filed on 11/03/2006 attaching the Amendment after Final that had been previously filed on 10/03/2006.

By this Paper and responsive to the Office action mailed 01/25/2007, Applicants respectfully submit a complete Reply comprising the following parts:

- I. Listing of Claims, beginning on page 2; and
- II. Remarks, beginning on page 8.

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